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In the Specification:

On page 1, please insert the following after the title and before the heading "Field of the Invention":

Related Applications

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 national phase application of PCT International Application No. PCT/NZ2004/000141, having an international filing date of July 2, 2004 and claiming priority to United States Provisional Application No. 60/484,571, filed July 2, 2003, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties. The above PCT International Application was published in the English language and has International Publication No. WO 2005/013409.

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In a further aspect the invention provides apparatus for apparatus for providing a float charge to a VRLA battery, including a processing unit programmed to monitor the battery voltage during a selected discharge period for the battery, and determine a float charge to be applied to the battery dependent on the change in battery voltage over the selected period.

In a further aspect the invention provides apparatus for apparatus for providing a float charge to a VRLA cell, including a processing unit programmed to determine the peak Tafel equivalent resistance for the cell and determine a voltage to be applied to the cell electrodes dependent on the determined equivalent resistance to provide the float charge.